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TOMATO CROP TO BRING NEAR HALF MILLION DOLLARS

BOARD MEMBERS MUST LIVE IN COUNTIES HERE

Committee In House Corrects Bad Feature of Original Drainage Measure

ALL SET TO PASS W. I. EVANS' NEW BILL

Attorney Bryan Gets Modification of Section on Sub Districts

All is set for the enactment by the Florida legislature of the Everglades drainage district bill drawn by W. I. Evans of Miami, attorney for the drainage board. The draft of the measure was approved by the drainage board at a session in Tallahassee several weeks ago.

Two changes were made in the bill. There was elimination of the provision that would have allowed the appointment of two members of the board from the state at large and there was change in the per cent of land necessary to petition for or assent to abolishing sub districts, the per cent being increased from 50 to 60.

That the supporters of the plan of ex-Governor Martin have ceased their opposition to new policies is indicated by the report made of the committee hearing by Kenneth Ballinger, correspondent at Tallahassee for the Miami Herald and former press agent for Governor Martin:

By Kenneth Ballinger,
Staff Writer for Miami Herald.

TALLAHASSEE, April 27.—The new Everglades Drainage District bill was whipped into shape for presentation to the house of representatives at a hearing by the committee on canals and drainage here tonight.

The most important change was to provide that all five members of the proposed new board to govern the district must come from counties within the district. The bill in its original draft provided for three members from the district and two from the state at large. Among those who spoke before the committee to voice approval of the bill were R. Y. Patterson of the Southern Sugar Company, Dr. Thomas E. Will of Belle Glade, William Griffis of Okeechobee, J. Stockton Bryan of West Palm Beach, attorney for the South Florida conservancy district, and R. A. Henderson of Fort Myers, representing the Collier interests.

Senator A. W. Young, chairman of the senate canals and drainage committee, said he will take up with his committee tomorrow the question of getting the bill introduced and on the calendar.

EXPECT MOTT TO SAVE SUGAR CO.

Formal Announcements Wait On Filing of Reports With Judge Whitehurst

Employes of the sugar company are controlling their impatience while they await announcement of plans for re-organization they believe have been made and which will continue the enterprise and their employment. C. S. Mott, a vice president of General Motors, the largest individual stockholder in the sugar company, is looked to as the new boss of the business.

The Clewiston mill is due to complete its run this month. Harvest of cane is still under way, machines and hand labor both being used, and cultivation of the new crop has started.

Information to The Everglades News is that no announcement of plans for the future will be made by anybody in authority until the receivers have filed their reports and Special Master Stubbs has made a report to Judge Whitehurst, in whose court the receivership is pending.

Senator Young Denies Managership Report

TALLAHASSEE, April 27.—Senator A. W. Young, Vero Beach, today said he had not been offered general managership of the Everglades Drainage District, as reported by The Everglades News of Canal Point.

"I have not been approached on such a subject," Senator Young said, "and would not accept the position if offered to me."

DRAINAGE DISTRICT BILL AS ORIGINALLY DRAFTED

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the tSate of Florida:

Section 1. That for the purpose of draining and reclaiming the lands hereinafter described and protecting the same from the effects of water, for agricultural and sanitary purposes, and for the public convenience and welfare and for the public utility and benefit, Everglades Drainage District is hereby declared to exist, and the creation thereof is in all things ratified, validated and confirmed; and the boundaries of said Everglades Drainage District are declared to be as follows:

Sec. 2. Organization of Board—Its Powers and Duties.—(a) The governing board of said district shall be designated "Board of Commissioners of Everglades Drainage District" and shall be composed of five persons to be appointed by the governor. All of such persons shall be citizens of the State of Florida and at least three of them shall be landowners within said Everglades Drainage District and bona fide residents of counties lying wholly or partly within the district. Two of such members shall be appointed for a term of four years; two for a term of three years and one for a term of two years. Thereafter, all appointments shall be for a term of four years.

(b) All vacancies upon the board shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term.

(c) Members of the board shall be subject to suspension and removal only for the causes and in the manner specified in Section 15, Article IV of the Constitution of this State.

(d) The board shall elect from among its members a chairman and vice chairman. The vice chairman shall perform all of the functions of the chairman in the event of sickness, absence or inability to act of the chairman.

(e) The board shall have all of the powers of a body corporate, including the power to sue and be sued by its name, in any court of law or equity; to make contracts and to adopt and use a common seal, and to alter the same at pleasure; to hold, buy and convey such personal and real property as may be necessary for the purpose of said district, and to appoint such agents and employees as the business of the district may require.

(f) The board shall determine the location of the headquarters of the district, which shall be in some county lying wholly or partly within the district.

(g) Three members of the board shall constitute a quorum and a concurrence of a majority of the members present shall be necessary to affirmative action by the board; a minority of the board may adjourn meetings from time to time without losing the force and effect of any notice of such meeting theretofore published or given, as required by this Act.

(h) The state treasurer shall be ex-officio treasurer of Everglades Drainage District and shall be the custodian of all moneys, securities and bonds belonging to Everglades Drainage District and unit districts organized under this Act and to sub-drainage districts which shall be abolished under this Act, and to sub-drainage districts which shall be under the control and management of the board. Moneys in the hands of the state treasurer as treasurer ex-officio of Everglades Drainage District, whether the same shall belong to Everglades Drainage District or to unit districts, or to sub-drainage districts which are abolished, or which shall be under the control and management of the board, shall be disbursed upon warrants signed by the chairman or vice chairman and countersigned by the secretary or other officer designated by the board. Bonds and securities which shall be in the hands of the state treasurer as treasurer ex-officio of Everglades Drainage District shall be disposed of upon the order of the board signed by the chairman or vice chairman and countersigned by the secretary or other officer designated by the board. If the board shall employ a general manager the board may authorize such general manager to sign warrants and orders for securities and bonds in lieu of the chairman or vice chairman.

The actual expense incurred by the treasurer of the State of Florida in performing the functions ex-officio of treasurer of Everglades Drainage District shall be paid by the board, but all interest which shall be earned upon funds in the hands of such treasurer belonging to Everglades Drainage District shall be placed to the credit of the district. Interest earned upon moneys to the credit of Debt Service Fund of the district shall become a part of such Debt Service Fund and interest earned upon the Construction Fund of any unit district shall become a part of the Construction Fund of such unit district. Interest earned upon all other funds shall become a part of the Administration Fund of the district.

(i) The board shall employ a secretary for the district, who shall be the custodian of the books and records of the district and shall perform such duties as may be from time to time required of him by the board.

(j) The board shall have the power to employ a person to be designated general manager of the district and to vest in him such authority and to delegate to him the performance of such duties as may be prescribed by resolution of the board. In the event of the employment of a general manager by the board all other employees of the district shall be employed by the general manager and shall be under his supervision, direction and control. The general manager shall furnish such bond with good and sufficient surety as may be required by the board.

(k) All regular meetings of the board shall be held at a meeting place to be fixed and determined by the board, but special meetings may be held upon call of the chairman or vice chairman at any place within or without the State of Florida.

Sec. 3.—Before entering upon the discharge of their duties, each member of the board shall take and subscribe to an oath in the form prescribed for officers of this state by Section 2 of Article XVI of the Constitution.

Sec. 4.—The said board, in addition to all of the powers specifically conferred by this Act, shall have the following general powers:

(a) To establish and construct, in the manner provided by this Act, a system of canals, drains, levees, dikes, dams, locks, reservoirs, and other appurtenant structures, of such dimensions, depths and proportions as in the judgment of the said board is advisable to drain and reclaim the lands within said Everglades Drainage District, and to render the same suitable for use in agricultural pursuits and to preserve and protect trees and crops growing upon such lands, and to maintain and operate such canals, drains, levees, dikes, dams, locks, reservoirs, and other works, in such manner as said board shall deem most advantageous to accomplish the foregoing objects.

(b) To operate the existing works of Everglades Drainage District and any works which may in the future be constructed by said district, or by any unit district organized under this Act, in such manner as in the judgment of the board will be advisable for harmonizing such navigation as may be incidental upon the said works or in connection therewith.

(c) To provide for and regulate the collection of a reasonable schedule of tolls for the use of all canals and locks heretofore constructed by Everglades Drainage District, or which may hereafter be constructed by said Everglades Drainage District, or by any unit district organized under this Act; and all tolls heretofore collected for the use of said works are hereby validated and confirmed:

(d) To regulate the speed of all water craft, or boats of any kind, plying on or using canals and waterways heretofore constructed by said district, or which may hereafter be constructed by said district, or any unit district organized under this Act.

(e) To prescribe regulations for the construction of docks and landings along, and bridges or fences across, the said canals.

(f) To clean out, straighten, widen, change the course and flow, alter or deepen, any ditch, drain, river, watercourse, pond, lake, creek, or natural stream, within or without said district, or any unit district as may be deemed necessary by said board to facilitate the drainage and reclamation of the land within said district ,or unit district.

(g) To construct such levees, dikes, sluices, revetments, reservoirs, pumping stations, and other works and improvements, and to operate the same in such manner as may be deemed necessary to preserve and maintain the works in said district and to drain and reclaim the lands within said district, and render the same suitable for use in agricultural pursuits and to protect and preserve trees and crops growing upon such lands.

(h) To construct bridges and roadways over levees, embankments, public highways, railroad right-of-way, tracks, grades, fills or cuts, or across any stream or pond, as may be deemed necessary by the board to facilitate the work of draining and reclaiming the territory, or any part thereof, embraced within said district, or any unit district.

(i) To hold, control and acquire, by condemnation, gifts or purchase, any real or personal property which may be needed for a right-of-way for any canal, ditch, drain or other works, or for material to be used in constructing and maintaining the works and improvements of Everglades Drainage District or any unit district.

(j) To pass upon the general plans of every sub-drainage district, after conference with the officials thereof, solely to determine whether such plans are reasonably consistent with the general plans of said district.

(k) To police the district, for the purpose of preventing damage by fire, or otherwise.

(l) To adopt rules and regulations for the development and administration of sub-drainage district, but only to the extent that the same may be necessary for the success and welfare of Everglades Drainage District as a whole and by such rules and regulations to coordinate the work of such sub-drainage district for the sole purpose of rendering effective the operation of the drainage works of Everglades Drainage District, or of any unit district organized under this Act.

(m) To prescribe rules and regulations with respect to the use by sub-drainage district and landowners of the outlet capacity of canals constructed by Everglades Drainage District or by any unit district, to the end that the said canals may be made to function efficiently.

(n) To grant permits to sub-drainage districts and landowners for the use of the outlet capacity of canals constructed by Everglades Drainage District, or any unit district, and permits to construct dams, dikes and levees within said Everglades Drainage District, or in any such canal or canals.

(o) To permit the use by any sub-drainage district, or unit district, of any right-of-way, easement or other property which is now, or may hereafter be, owned by Everglades Drainage District.

(p) To do and perform any and all other acts which in the judgment of the said board shall be conducive to the upkeep and betterment of the works of Everglades Drainage District and of any unit district.

(q) To enter into contracts or other arrangements with the United States, or any department thereof, and with any flood control, drainage or reclamation district, or other agency, for co-operation or assistance in constructing, maintaining, using and operating works of reclamation or flood control, or for making surveys and investigations or reports.

(r) To convey and transfer to the United States, or any department of the government thereof, or any drainage, reclamation or flood control district, or other agency, any of the works of said Everglades Drainage District, or the control or operation of said works, whenever it shall seem to said board that to do so will redound to the benefit of said Everglades Drainage District, subject, however, to the provision that the said works shall always be controlled and operated with due regard to the obligations and needs of Everglades Drainage District with respect to drainage and reclamation.

(s) Where necessary in order to secure the best results from the execution and operation of the plans of the district, or of any unit district organized under this Act, or of any sub-drainage district which shall be under the control and management of the board, or to prevent damage to the district, unit district or sub-drainage district, by the deterioration or misuse, or by the pollution of the waters of any water course within the district, the board may make regulations for, and may prescribe the manner of building bridges, roads or fences, or other works, in, into, along or across, any channel, reservoir or other construction; and may prescribe the manner in which ditches or other works shall be adjusted to, or connected with, the works of the district, unit district or sub-drainage district, or any water course therein.

Sec. 5. Lands Within District Divided into Zones.—For the purpose of this Act, and particularly for the purpose of levying and imposing the special taxes or assessments hereinafter levied and imposed, the territory lying and being situate within Everglades Drainage District is hereby divided and constituted into zones, which said zones shall include, respectively, the following lands, to-wit:

Sec. 6.—It is hereby ascertained and declared that the lands within Everglades Drainage District upon which special taxes or assessments are levied and imposed by this Act for the purpose of retiring the principal and paying the interest of existing obligations of Everglades Drainage District have received a benefit from the works of Everglades Drainage District heretofore constructed in an amount in substantial excess of the amount of said indebtedness; that the benefits derived by the lands located within each separate zone hereinabove described are equal and uniform.

Sec. 7. Taxes Levied.—That for the purpose of enabling the board to pay the principal and interest of all obligations of Everglades Drainage District heretofore incurred and now outstanding, there are hereby levied and imposed within Everglades Drainage District the following special taxes or assessments, which shall be known and designated as the "Debt Service Tax":

Upon all of the lands lying and being situate within zone one, hereinabove described, a tax of cents per acre per annum for the year 1931, and for each year thereafter.

Sec. 8.—That for the purpose of paying the cost of administering the affairs of the said district generally there is hereby levied and imposed upon lands within Everglades Drainage District a special tax or assessment as follows:

And there is also hereby levied and assessed upon all real, personal and mixed property in Everglades Drainage District an annual tax of one mill on each dollar of valuation for purposes of state and county taxation. For the purpose of the ad valorem tax herein levied the lands held by the Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund are hereby assessed at an amount equal to other lands in the same vicinity, which amount the said trustees are required to ascertain and certify to the Board of Commissioners of Everglades Drainage District.

The taxes levied and imposed by this section shall be known, collectively as the "Administration Tax."

The tax assessor of each county lying wholly or partly within the district shall show the said one mill tax upon the annual tax roll of the county of which he is assessor without any certification thereof by the board, and the said tax shall be collected and remitted under the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 9. Maintenance Taxes Authorized.—(a) As soon as practicable after the appointment of the members thereof the board shall cause the lands within the district which are served or benefited by the existing works of the district to be divided into as many subdivisions as may be necessary to place all of the lands which receive equal, or substantially equal, benefits from the same works heretofore constructed by Everglades Drainage District to be placed in the

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128 SOLID CARS OF BEANS ROLLED IN 7 DAY PERIOD

Belle Glade Alone Loaded 12 Cars In One Day, Leading All Stations

42 CARS REQUIRED FOR MIXED VEGETABLES

Celery, Potatoes and Tomatoes Are Loaded In Car-Lot Quantity

Records were broken in the upper Everglades this week.

Belle Glade, loading 12 solid cars of beans on Wednesday, rolled more cars of beans than were ever before billed from any one station in this territory in any one day, 11 cars having been the limit heretofore.

The whole number of cars of beans from the Florida East Coast railroad stations in the seven days ending Wednesday was 128, which beat the former high record of 103 cars in a week in March of 1929.

The total number of cars of all perishables was 165, which beats the former high record of 138 made in a week in April of 1929.

The number of solid cars from the several points of origin was:

Lake Harbor 3.
South Bay 17.
Belle Glade 60.
Runyon 16.
Cardwell 13.
Pelican Lake 10.
Canal Point 46.

The number of cars of each commodity was:

Beans 128.
Celery 4.
Mixed vegetables 31.
Potatoes 1.
Tomatoes 1.

In addition there were 6,318 packages of express, the equivalent of 11 solid cars. The production from the territory actually was more than the 175 cars here accounted for, because these figures do not include the forwardings via Atlantic Coast Line from Lake Harbor, a Palm Beach county community where the territory is divided with the Florida East Coast railroad. It was from Lake Harbor that the first car of tomatoes of the season rolled and that car is not included in this tabulation.

DAY BY DAY MOVEMENT

THURSDAY

South Bay—2 beans.
Belle Glade—2 beans, 1 celery, 1 mixed vegetables.
Runyon—3 beans.
Canal Point—2 beans, 2 mixed vegetables.
Total 13 cars.
758 crates by express.

FRIDAY

Lake Harbor—1 beans.
South Bay—1 beans, 1 mixed vegetables.
Belle Glade—7 beans, 2 celery.
Runyon—2 beans.
Cardwell—1 beans.
Canal Point—1 beans, 9 mixed vegetables.
Total 25 cars.
815 crates by express.

SATURDAY

Belle Glade—9 beans.
Runyon—1 beans.
Cardwell—4 beans.
Pelican Lake—2 beans.
Canal Point—5 beans, 2 mixed vegetables, 1 potatoes.
Total 24 cars.
1365 crates by express.

SUNDAY

South Bay—3 beans.
Belle Glade—6 beans.
Canal Point—2 beans.
Total 11 cars.
455 crates by express.

MONDAY

Lake Harbor—1 beans.
South Bay—2 beans.
Belle Glade—10 beans.
Runyon—3 beans.
Cardwell—2 beans.
Pelican Lake—1 mixed vegetables.
Canal Point—4 beans, 2 mixed vegetables.
Total 25 cars.
944 crates by express.

TUESDAY

South Bay—3 beans, 1 mixed vegetables.
Belle Glade—6 beans, 3 mixed vegetables.
Runyon—3 beans, 1 mixed vegetables.
Cardwell—2 beans.
Pelican Lake—3 beans.
Canal Point—3 beans, 3 mixed vegetables.
Total 28 cars.

MARKET TODAY

F.o.b. Canal Point.
Reported by W. H. Vann.

Beans—Bountifuls $2@3, Stringless $1.50@1.75, Black Valentines $2.50, Red $1.75, Refugees $1.25@1.50.
Limas—$6@6.60.
Peppers—Fancy, $3.75@4.50; choice, $2.25@2.50.
Squash—$1.50.
Okra—$2.
Potatoes—No. 1's, $1.65@1.75; No. 2's, $1.25.

FIGURE TOMATOES TO MAKE 600 CARS

Acreage In Upper Glades Estimated As 3,000, Including Lake's Islands

Whether the lake shore from Mayaca to the Hendry county line will have a million dollar tomato crop or whether it won't depends on the weather—the weather here and the weather at competitive points and the weather at points of consumption. That's the reason everything comes to a standstill and everybody clusters around the radio receiving sets when the announcer says "We will now take you to the Weather Bureau where Mr. Gray will give you the weather report."

Acreage of tomatoes planted in January, February and March in the Lake Okeechobee portion of Palm Beach county was reported by S. R. Copper, drainage district enumerator, in items that total 2,653. C. S. Moore of Canal Point, a broker and packing house operator, estimates there are 1,800 acres of tomatoes from Port Mayaca to Cardwell station, half way between Pahokee and Belle Glade. On these figures there would be

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BASE BALL OPENING

The first game the East Beach team will play in the County League will be at Stuart Sunday. The first game on the home grounds will be with the A. S. P. team May 10.

SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

F. B. Nance replaces John H. Wyse as principal of the South Bay school by action of the county school board taken yesterday when appointments were made for the new term. E. E. Bishop is retained for Pahokee.

Standard Rate Holds As Packing Charge

Packing house managers have not announced the rate of charges for their services but it is understood that 75 cents a crate will be charged for packing and selling, the packing including the furnishing of the crates and all supplies. Of the 75 cents, it is understood that 10 cents a crate is the brokerage charge.

SELL PUMP PLANT BY FORECLOSURE

Fairbanks-Morse Co. Retrieves Equipment From Pelican Lake Sub District

The equipment of a Pelican Lake sub drainage district pumping plant is to be sold next Monday at the court house in West Palm Beach by Sidney J. Catts, jr., master in chancery in the case of Fairbanks, Morse & Company against the district, under a final decree of foreclosure.

The property to be sold is described in a legal advertisement as being two 80 h.p. type Y style VA Diesel engines and two 42-inch Wood screw pumps, with suction and discharge pipes, vacuum pump and connections.

Pelican Lake district embraces land on both sides of West Palm Beach canal at Canal Point and is controlled by the Southern Sugar Company, which votes a majority of the acreage at the annual meetings of the land owners, and the supervisors merely execute the orders of the sugar company management. Bankruptcy of the drainage district is a consequence of its control by the bankrupt sugar company.

Total 39 cars.
867 crates by express.
1114 crates by express.

WEDNESDAY

Lake Harbor—1 beans.
South Bay—4 beans.
Belle Glade—12 beans, 1 celery.
Runyon—3 beans.
Cardwell—4 beans.
Pelican Lake—4 beans.
Canal Point—4 beans, 5 mixed vegetables, 1 tomatoes.

FIRST SOLID CAR TOMATOES SELLS AT $5.00 F. O. B.

Packing Houses Open Over 30 Mile Front Along Lake Okeechobee

GOOD PROSPECTS AND HIGH EXPECTATIONS

Experienced Men Return To Pack and Sell Glades Best Money Crop

A car of tomatoes packed at C. S. Moore's Canal Point house and rolled Wednesday night was made up about half and half of fruit from north of Canal Point and east of Pahokee. The car sold at $5 f.o.b. Canal Point. Mr. Moore will have another car out tonight.

The first car of the upper Glades' 1931 tomato crop, which may prove to be a million dollar crop, rolled Monday from Lake Harbor. The fruit was grown by Arthur Wells and his associates on ground between South Bay and Miami canal lock and was packed at their packing house on the A. C. L. railroad at Lake Harbor and the car was bought by James Padgett of Pahokee for Edgerton & Beers of Washington, D. C., at $4.85 a crate f.o.b. Lake Harbor.

There are two tomato packing houses at Lake Harbor, the name given to the railroad station on Miami canal on the southwest side of Lake Okeechobee, a locality formerly known as Ritta when it was not called Miami lock. One of the tomato packing houses is owned by Melvin Crouch and Arthur Wells. It is 40x90 feet in size and was built this season. It was at this house that the first car of the season was packed. A. J. Thompson is the packing house manager and C. W. Johnson of West Palm Beach is the office manager.

LAKE HARBOR HOUSES

The other packing house at Lake Harbor was built and opened last season by L. Maxcy, Inc., of Frostproof. George Guthrie who managed the house last season, again is in charge. When The Everglades News reporter visited the house Tuesday tomatoes were being received from the Deckman farm. W. E. Howze of Island Grove, Fla., who was foreman last season, is in the same position this season.

R. Y. Creech of Belle Glade, who has an acreage of tomatoes on Ritta island from which he may harvest 10,000 crates, will pack his fruit at the Maxcy house, with W. A. Pagan as his foreman. Louis Creech of Belle Glade will sell the tomatoes.

So far there is no packing house on the Florida East Coast railroad siding on the south side of Miami canal at Lake Harbor, both of the packing houses being on the Atlantic Coast Line railroad's tracks on the north side of the canal.

HAWKINS & HERRING, SOUTH BAY

Foundation was being put in Tuesday for a packing house at South Bay. The house is being built by I. D. Hawkins and Julius Herring and its size is 40x50 feet and the location is on state road No. 25 near the Florida East Coast railroad station. It will be a public packing house but it is being built chiefly to handle the owners' fruit; Mr. Hawkins having 5 acres of tomatoes and Mr. Herring 35 acres. The owners said that A. J. Doughty, formerly with Stewart & Company, probably would be the man who would run the house.

BELLE GLADE HOUSES

Hamburger & Company, commission merchants of New York, own a packing house at Belle Glade but no announcement has yet been made about its operation. T. Lane Moore is expected to run the association house at Belle Glade.

PELICAN SWITCH

There is no packing house at Runyon or Cardwell, the stations between Belle Glade and Pahokee. At Pelican Lake switch, southeast of Pahokee, there are three packing houses.

E. L. Wouters of what is known as the Belgian colony is having a house 40x70 feet built at Pelican Lake switch near the electric light plant. H. C. Bair is superin-

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The Glades And Its Affairs

The carpet-bagger provision having been cut out, the Everglades drainage district bill now pending in the Florida legislature in session at Tallahassee is a good bill, promising the best results possible to a district as involved as the affairs of this district are and the best results possible considering the state of conditions generally. Human foresight is unequal to providing for every possible contingency but the bill does provide for every contingency that informed men can conceive of at this time. A good feature of the bill is that it authorizes (it does not require) the employment of a general manager of the district.

The provision that relates to employment of a general manager relates to administration, and the feature of administration is more important than any other feature. In saying this The Everglades News says again what it said when its editor got illumination on Everglades drainage affairs by taking up residence in the region and getting opportunity for that first-hand information which is the only information that furnishes an accurate guide to courses that meet the approval of the people on whose labors the success of the drainage and financial enterprise rests, the people who live and labor here.

At the "Governor's Conference" in West Palm Beach in October, 1926 (the governor being John W. Martin), the editor of The Everglades News pleaded for a policy of drainage administration that would meet the approval of the home-owning residents in the Everglades. With the approval of two Methodist preachers the editor said in his address to the governor and his cabinet that "Without home-owning residents the Everglades won't amount to a damn," and if any religious objected to the near-profanity it was a Baptist who thought immersion was justified under even the condition of a death-dealing flood. "Still harping on my daughter," like the character in Shakespeare's Hamlet, The Everglades News has re-stated and reiterated its formula, the emancipation of the residents of the Everglades from thralldom, as the preachers have preached from Exodus 5, 1, "Let my people go!" In page one editorials The Everglades News has said, "The form and manner of administration is the vital factor in Everglades drainage affairs."

Not the legalistic end of it, not the "financial set-up," not the tax structure, but the times when the spillways are opened or closed, the times when water is let out of the lake or retained, the location of the pumping plants and the times the pumps are run or shut down—these are part of the routine of administration and are a part that has been handled so badly that this break-down in administration was the cause more than anything else, of the failure of owners to pay taxes and the default on interest and principal. Maladministration wrecked the district and unless there is reform in administration all the king's horses can't put Humpty Dumpty up again. Reform in administration can most reasonably be expected to come through a general manager or a representative of a bondholders' committee.

The "improvement unit" plan in the pending bill is intended to furnish a method for financing and constructing new work; that has little to do with the areas already settled and farmed, and it is with the future of the settled areas that we who are here are in that we are most interested. The legislature can authorize the governor to appoint five members of the district's board but the legislature must leave to the board of chance the conduct of the appointees. Revenue of the district comes from taxes and taxes for a time hereafter will have to come from production or there won't be any taxes; land owners, resident and non-resident, will insist on results from the new board, for the time is past for suavity and soft-soaping.

For 12 years the editor of The Everglades News has been in contact with owners of land in Everglades drainage district, residents and non-residents, owners of large bodies of land and owners of small tracts, farmers and speculators. This contact was personal and in correspondence. As a consequence personal interest and newspaper work, the newspaper work being with the Palm Beach Post and the South Florida Developer before the establishment of The Everglades News, letters from literally thousands of non-residents have been received. This form of contact supplements daily intercourse with the thousands of people of the upper Glades, and on the basis of this contact it is said that the future of the drainage district with its millions of dollars of indebtedness is dependent on the conduct of the board Governor Carlton will name. His appointees will bring credit on him or they will complete the collapse of the tottering structure. The governor was saved from embarrassment otherwise certain by the elimination of the carpet-bagger provision of the new drainage bill and it is sincerely hoped that his friends and advisers will save him from error in the selection of the board he is to appoint.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

By Howard Sharp.

The Herald and the Governor

It is significant that although an editorial on the subject in the Miami Herald of April 28 is cautiously worded, the Herald does not oppose the draft of the Everglades district drainage bill that was prepared by W. I. Evans of Miami, the district's attorney. The Herald was a strong supporter of the drainage policy that Governor Martin embraced, and the policy that Governor Carlton has assented to is opposed to the Martin policy. The Herald and Governor Carlton are now on good terms. The beginning of this new relation was when the Herald printed an editorial complimentary to the appointment of L. D. Reagan, a former Sarasota newspaper publisher, and was advanced when Governor Carlton was the dinner guest of Frank B. Shutts, the Herald's owner. In the meantime, however, the Miami Daily News has become a bit critical of some of Governor Carlton's actions.

Their Course Is Wise

Constituents of Representatives Lewis and Bass of Palm Beach county who comment that they "don't hear much about our representatives in the legislature" may not intend to be complimentary but actually they are, for the new member of the legislature who is wise will not try to attract too much attention to himself. Lewis and Bass will get as much done by letting the other fellows make the noise.

Wagg Earns Praise

Senator Alfred H. Wagg has energy. There is no place so much as in the legislature where a man has opportunity for hard work and where he also has so much opportunity for grand-standing while loafing on the job. Senator Wagg is employing his energy. He also has courage, but energy and courage without intelligence and experience are not sufficient qualities of themselves. Senator Wagg has gotten wisdom in late years, and as he is now experienced in legislation, it follows naturally that he is making a good record in the legislature. There are no intimations that Senator Wagg is ambitious to make statesmanship rather than business a career but if that was his ambition he could not pursue a better course than the one he is now engaged upon.

A Newspaper's Service

That the County of Palm Beach is in excellent financial condition is due in part to the policy of the Palm Beach Post. When the real estate boom had collapsed but when the suckers were denying it and trying to unload, a big county road bond issue was proposed as an aid to insolvent banks and insolvent real estate speculators. The opposition of the Post defeated the county road bond issue, and the defeat kept the county out of an awful mess. Yet when, few years later, there was real need of a county road bond issue to complete necessary roads that were under construction, the Post did not oppose it. Some of these latter roads were highways in the Glades section of the county.

PAHOKEE

Miss Lena Spooner of Plant City is visiting the Spooners this week. She expects to remain here through the tomato packing season.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Haicher, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Sheffield and their mother, Mrs. Stock, spent Sunday in West Palm Beach.

Mrs. Earl Swain is out again after being ill several days with the flu.

Mrs. Ernest Lindrose spent Thursday in West Palm Beach shopping.

The Overstreet brothers of Palmetto City have rented the Grant & Hawkins packing house and expect to open the house next week.

Lois Poole entertained a number of small friends in honor of Margaret Stevens' twelfth birthday at her home Saturday afternoon. Lemonade and cake was served to the following guests: Margaret Stevens, Beatrice Crews, Udine Maddox, Izetta Frazer, Lily Padgett, Sara Saunders, Sybil Sanders, Velma Grimes, Mildred Jones, Nancy Stevens, Lois Poole, Edna Grimes, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Grimes, Florine Yarborough and Joy Lou Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman and children spent Sunday with their boy Lake in the hospital in West Palm Beach Sunday.

Little Georgia Spooner was taken to the hospital in West Palm Beach Sunday and operated on for appendicitis.

Herbert Wimberley and Curtis Hunstead of Oakland Park were the dinner guests of Rev. and Mrs. Joe A. Tolle Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones and children of Plant City have moved into the apartment house with the Pooles.

Genevieve Hull of Plant City spent the week end with Dorothy June York.

Jesse Maloy and Lorraine Tidwell won the two prizes awarded by Rev. Tolle for reading the new Testament.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Roberts and family of West Palm Beach spent the week end with the Barfields.

J. Q. Henry made a business trip to Georgia this week.

Mrs. C. A. Yarborough is improving after being ill the past week.

Charley Barfield spent Monday in West Palm Beach attending to business.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hamilton of Miami spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Winds.

Mrs. J. I. Nesmith entertained with a party at her home Saturday in honor of her daughter Edna's sixth birthday. A few pictures of the little hostess were made with her beautiful birthday cake. After games were played refreshments of cookies and punch were served to the following young guests: Audrey Chaney, Carol Phillips, Grady Rewis, Margie Cranford, Carlton Cranford, Audrey Cranford, Ara Fay Cranford, Jack Tidwell, Sonny Cochran, Ruth Cochran, Charles Nesmith, Mary Frances DeLoach, Peggy Borden, Boggie Hawkins, Jasper Reed, jr., Dolly Rutledge, Joyce Bailey, Esther Kilpatrick, Betty Joe Tolle, Jacqueline Herin, J. C. Carruthers, Billie Grimes, Grace Ann Maloy, Samuel Lovell, Agnes Robinson, Jimmy Shirley, Gladys Maloy, Mary Wilder, Frances Powell, Eloise Cranford, Ema Tidwell, Lorraine Tidwell, Mrs. Cleve Cranford, Mrs. Bessie Cranford, Mrs. C. C. Clem, Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. DeLoach, Mrs. Lovell, Mrs. C. F. Maloy.

Little Junior Sapp is sick this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams and son of Fort Pierce spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Perkins.

O. E. S. BENEFIT BRIDGE

A bridge party sponsored by Pahokee chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will be held at the Womans Club building Thursday, May 7 at 8 p. m. Ticket are on sale by Mrs. W. A. Adams at Canal Point and at Bailey's grocery in Pahokee. Refreshments will be served and a good time promised for all.

CANDIDATES IN TOWN ELECTION

Pahokee Voters To Select Officers Next Tuesday, May 5, For Five Places

There are three candidates for mayor in Pahokee's annual election which will be held next Tuesday—W. J. Larrimore, the present mayor, and Doyle W. Crocker and Thomas Green.

Two councilmen are to be elected and the candidates are J. E. Cochran, R. E. Douthit, L. I. Maloy and W. S. Stuckey.

H. Roy Lang is unopposed for re-election as town clerk.

F. R. Harrison, candidate for re-election as marshal, is opposed by John Kirk and W. H. Cochran.

The town hall is the polling place and the officers of election are J. A. Hughes, Mrs. Blanche E. Armstrong and R. J. Schroder inspectors and Mrs. R. J. Schroder clerk.

OLD MAIDS' CONVENTION

The "Old Maids' Convention" will be presented in Pahokee school auditorium Friday night, May 8, at 8 p. m. Price of admission is 15 and 35 cents. Come, bring all the family and laugh the blues away.

The cast is made up of leading business men who will keep you guessing as they so "charmingly" impersonate the modern maid.

There will be real judges for the beauty contest at the close of the program. Will the blonde beauty of a Kilpatrick, a Colson or the dark brilliance of a Kahn, a Denton, win?

Do you prefer the "curves" of a Bishop, Kerr or Woodham? Perchance the flapperish Rodgers or Tolle will sway the judges' hearts. Come help us decide, May 8 at the school auditorium. The play is presented under the auspices of the Pahokee P.-T. A. and directed by Mrs. E. P. Parker.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Pahokee.

Rev. J. P. Rodgers, Pastor.

Services for week of May 2:

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.

Morning worship, sermon by pastor, 11 a. m.

Baptism Sunday afternoon, 3 p. m.

B. Y. P. U. services, 7 p. m.

Evening evangelistic service, sermon by pastor, 8 p. m.

W. M. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. Russell Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 p. m.

Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

The Senior Sunday school class of which Thurman Knight is president will have their monthly social in the form of a weiner roast this Friday night. All young people will meet at the church at 7:30 to get on the big truck.

The girls of the class will also sponsor a food stale to be held on the streets of Pahokee Saturday morning. The proceeds of these food sales are being used to build the class a larger Sunday school room.

Our prayer meeting discussion for Wednesday evening will be the second chapter of Revelations.

A warm reception awaits all who worship with us at any of our services.

IN COUNTY COURT

Three cases from the Everglades section were in county court in the past week.

H. H. Hart vs. E. A. Cook and L. B. Cook, individually and doing business as Cook Brothers, continued, assumpsit, damages $475; Bass & Whidden; Edgar C. Thompson and Quincey & Rice.

V. C. Denton vs. L. W. Armstrong, jury verdict for $172.50 damages; Bass & Whidden; O. S. Miller.

W. R. Owen vs. W. H. Vann, action at law, damages; $499, Sidney J. Catts, jr.; Bass & Whidden. Verdict for plaintiff.

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BASS WATCHES DRAINAGE BILL

Representative Visits His Home-Folks and Confers With Constituents

Hon. Elvin A. Bass, a representative in the legislature from Palm Beach county, made the long, hard drive down from Tallahassee and was in Canal Point and Pahokee over the week-end, to call on his wife and friends and gather up the loose ends of matters of business and legislation. He conferred with his law partner, Thadd Whidden, at Pahokee and with such other persons as he could get access to on a Sunday.

Elvin supported Tomasello of Okeechobee county for speaker as against Clay Lewis who was elected, because Tomasello was from the neighboring county, hence in the chance of war he did not land on the committee on drainage but he has attended the committee meetings and conferred with persons who are interested in the proposed new legislation.

He gave it as his opinion that the provision for two non-residents on the district drainage board will be cut out and the appointments made from counties of the district. He has before him bills to validate actions of Pahokee drainage district in the past two years and also the view that such validation would make the entire district liable for the work done on the sugar company's lands in the east unit.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held May 25, 1931, in Special Tax School Districts One, Four, Five, Six, Eight, and Nine to select three trustees in each of said districts and to determine the millage in each of said districts for the ensuing two years. The polling places for the several districts shall be as follows:

District One—West Palm Beach, Stypmann Arcade; Pahokee, Town Hall.

District Four—Lake Worth, Municipal Auditorium; Lantana, Town Hall.

District Five—Boynton, Town Hall.

District Six—Delray, Chamber of Commerce.

District Eight—Boca Raton, Town Hall.

District Nine—West Palm Beach, east of City Hall.

By order of Board of Public Instruction.

JOE A. YOUNGBLOOD,
Secretary.

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I am in the Race for Mayor

The Pahokee annual town election will be held next Tuesday, May 5, and I am a candidate for Mayor and I respectfully ask the support of the voters. I was led to become a candidate by the request of friends, and their confidence in me inspired a belief that I can render satisfactory service.

I shall appreciate your support.

Yours very truly,

Doyle W. Crocker

To the Voters of Pahokee:

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Marshal of Town of Pahokee in the election to be held this coming May 5th.

Having held this office for the past two terms I feel that I am capable of rendering service to the taxpayers and citizens of our town. I can truthfully say that I am proud of the record I have made while serving in this office.

I don't say that I am entering this race again because some of my friends asked me to. I have entered it because I need the position, need it enough that I will work hard to give service. If you feel that I have given you courteous and efficient police service, which I assure you I have endeavored to do, I will appreciate your vote and support in this election.

F. R. HARRISON

Candidate for Town Marshal,
Town of Pahokee.

Mrs. Fultz and Christine At Girl Scouts Camp

Mrs. John Fultz of Canal Point and Miss Christine Wheeler of Pahokee attended the Girl Scouts council and camp at Jupiter from Thursday to Sunday. In addition to having a good time socially they got instruction in the conduct of troops and value the training.

SCHOOL NEWS

SOCIAL NOTES

Hazel Elliott.

Mary Baker and Margaret Hooker were visitors in West Palm Beach Sunday.

Marie Underhill was a visitor at our school Tuesday.

Miss Mary Young was absent from school Monday because of illness.

Miss Alma Sharp spent Saturday in West Palm Beach shopping for the May Day costumes.

Rev. H. P. Tolle spoke at the assembly period Friday. After his talk a play was given by the sixth grade.

Mary Louise and Virginia Hoenshel were visitors in Miami Monday.

Thomas Elliott and Larkin Spooner as well as Lewis Friend and Ralph Maxwell went to West Palm Beach Sunday.

Stewart Spooner went to West Palm Beach Tuesday and Wednesday to visit his sister who is in the Good Samaritan hospital.

Mrs. W. E. Dean of Monticello, Fla., has taken up the work of Mrs. Goolsby as English teacher.

Thomas Elliott and Larkin Spooner spent Wednesday in West Palm Beach.

Vernette and Elizabeth Stuckey, Dorothy Griffin and Annie Lee Boynton were visitors in West Palm Beach Tuesday.

Junior McKinstry of Homestead, visited school Tuesday as did Evelyn Rogers of Fort Myers.

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CAP PHILLIPS DEAD, OLD EVERGLADER

The death at Moore Haven Saturday of last week of Charles H. Phillips, long a resident of the Lake region, is recorded in the current issue of the Glades County Democrat, which ascribes the death to heart trouble and general senility. Burial was made at the Ortona cemetery after a funeral service at which large attendance and great quantity of flowers showed how Mr. Phillips was generally thought of in the community.

The sketch of his life as printed in the Democrat does not show that Mr. Phillips ever did military service but he was long referred to and addressed as "Captain." His birthplace is given as Baltimore and his occupation as civil engineer. He was never married and the only relatives are a nephew, Morris Metcalf, at Springfield, Mass., and a niece, Mrs. L. V. Friedman, at Newton Center, Mass. His age is given at 74.

For several years, and until about 1921, Mr. Phillips was employed by Everglades drainage district; recently he had retired to a little chicken farm in Moore Haven and acted as librarian of the Womans Club library.

Want Better Road For Tourists To Our Lake

Many tourists at Stuart express a desire every winter to see Lake Okeechobee but most of them fail to make an effort to reach the lake from Stuart because of the bad condition of the road between Stuart and Port Mayaca. Knowledge of this fact has inspired an effort to get a first-class road from Stuart to Lake Okeechobee.

Theodore Dehon, representing the Stuart Rotary Club, Stanley Kitching of the Martin county Chamber of Commerce and R. L. Wall, chairman of the board of county commissioners, went to Miami this week to take the matter up with Ernest R. Graham, member of the State Road Department.

The effort for betterment of the road between Stuart and Lake Okeechobee was undertaken, the Stuart Daily News says, because this is considered the best move in the matter of community advancement that can be taken up at this time.

NOTICE OF SITTING OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION FOR TOWN OF PAHOKEE, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of Pahokee, Florida, will on Tuesday, the 5th day of May, A. D. 1931, sit as a board of equalization for the purpose of revising and equalizing the assessments of real and personal property lying and being in the Town of Pahokee, Florida, subject to taxation for the year 1931, between the hours of eight o'clock A. M. and sunset of said date, at the Council Chamber of the Town Hall of said Town. Any person desiring to contest or aggrieve at such assessment or assessments may be heard on said date.

Witness my hand as Town Clerk of the Town of Pahokee, Florida, pursuant to ordinance number twenty-five of said Town, this 16th day of April, A. D. 1931.

H. ROY LANG,
Town Clerk.

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RECEIVER WANTS BANK ASSETS TO PAY DEPOSITORS

J. P. Cochrane Files Suits Against F. E. Bryant To Recover Securities

DAHLBERG SECURED BUT NOT OTHERS

Disclosure of High Finance By Parties To Sugar Company Promotion

Suits filed Tuesday in West Palm Beach made public disclosure about the frenzied finance of B. G. Dahlberg enterprises and promise further revelations about the Bank of Canal Point which closed its doors July 16 "for the benefit of all concerned." The allegations in the suits are reported in an article in the Palm Beach Times which is reprinted in this column.

The statements in the Times article agree with what was understood here—that B. G. Dahlberg deposited money in his own bank only when the bank gave him security for his deposit but Dahlberg kept the bank open, soliciting deposits from the public without offering security to the other depositors.

There was a time when the Bank of Canal Point was solvent; then something happened to make it insolvent. What happened in that interval is connected with the promotion efforts of the Southern Sugar Company and the bank at Lake Worth that Dahlberg controlled.

Following is the story from the Palm Beach Times of the suits that relate to the Bank of Canal Point and the attempts to reopen it without levying an assessment on the stockholders:

"Securities of a face value of about $32,000, alleged to have been fraudulently given by the Bank of Canal Point to the Bromar and Brolo corporations of Chicago, to secure their deposits in the bank, were tied up by circuit court officers here today.

"The orders were issued by Circuit Judge C. E. Chillingworth in two suits brought by J. P. Cochrane as liquidator of the failed bank, against the two corporations, F. E. Bryant, former president of the Bank, and Arthur W. Saarinen, connected with the state banking department.

"Cochrane had declared in his suits that an officer or officers of the bank unknown to him had given the securities—$20,698 to the Bromar corporation, and $11,822 to the Brolo firm—as collateral to secure two $10,000 deposits made by the firms shortly before the bank closed its doors on July 16, 1930.

"Cochrane charged that giving of the collateral was done without authority of the bank's board of directors, in contemplation of the bank's insolvency, and with a view of preferring the two firms over other creditors of the bank. Such transfers of securities, his bills declared, rendered the bank 'hopelessly insolvent,' surrendering to "such favored depositors" many of its assets which had material value.

"The liquidator expressed the belief that the two Chicago firms, after having first taken the securities out of the state, had placed them in the keeping of Bryant and Saarinen who have deposited them in a box at the Central Farmers Trust Company at West Palm Beach pending outcome of a move to reopen the Canal Point bank. Bryant and Saarinen, his bills state, have threatened to send them back to the keeping of the two corporations unless the court and Comptroller Ernest Amos approve the re-opening.

"Cochrane asked that the transfer of the notes and bonds, which comprised the assets given, be nullified and that the defendants be required to return them and account for any which they may have disposed of.

"The order restrains Bryant and Saarinen from transferring or disposing of the securities in any way."

CANAL POINT

Mrs. Lawton Sim and daughter Louise and Mrs. Louis C. Goolsby made a shopping trip to West Palm Beach Tuesday.

Mrs. W. H. Vann called on friends in West Palm Beach Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. "Ted" Kolstad have occupied one of the sugar company houses in the Canal Point townsite.

Mrs. Alf Baker and Mrs Francis Cross made a trip to the county seat Wednesday where they did some shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Komer and her daughter attended a show in West Palm Beach Tuesday night.

Hugo Boe returned last Friday from Jacksonville where he spent several days attending a session of the grand lodge of Masons.

Mrs. G. V. Hudson and Mrs. Young made a shopping trip to West Palm Beach Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Sims entertained the Friday Night Bridge Club at their home last Friday. Three tables were in play.

Mrs. W. A. Adams entertained her Sunday school class with a picnic at St. Lucie canal last Friday evening. There were about forty young people who attended. Assisting Mrs. Adams with the party were Mrs. Grady Boynton and Mrs. G. V. Hudson.

Mrs. A. I. Miller, Mrs. Archie Fowler and Mrs. J. W. Marsh were shopping in West Palm Beach Friday.

Bill DeWitt of West Palm Beach was a Canal Point visitor one day this week.

Henry Boyd went to Vero this week to meet Joe Ney of Jill Bros. commission merchants of New York.

All young people are cordially invited to attend choir practice of the Canal Point Methodist church Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. to practice singing for church services.

P.-T. A. FURNISHES BOOKS

Twenty volumes bought with Parent-Teachers Association funds have been added to the Moore Haven school library.

MORE STRAWBERRIES AND ARE BETTER KEEPERS

There are now more patches of strawberries in communities around Lake Okeechobee than ever before. Strawberries were extensively tested in this region in the early days but were not a commercial success because they spoiled quickly. Now that the muck soil has compacted and fertilizer is used, the quality of the fruit is better. But strawberries cost more at stores here than in New York city.

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same subdivision. The said subdivisions shall be known as "Maintenance Areas" and shall be designated by alphabetical letters. The board shall adopt a resolution describing the boundaries of each maintenance area and setting forth a description of the works of the district heretofore constructed which are beneficial to each such maintenance area. Upon the adoption of such resolution notice of a hearing of objections thereto shall be given by publication fixing a time and place when all owners of land affected by such resolution may appear in person or by their representatives and present objections to the method or manner of the division of lands into maintenance areas. At the time and place fixed for such hearing the owner of any land shown by such resolution to be included within any maintenance area may present to the board written objections to the inclusion of his land in such maintenance area, and the board shall sit for as long as may be deemed necessary for the purpose of hearing such objections and for that purpose may adjourn from day to day. At the conclusion of such hearing the board shall make any changes or amendments in such resolution as may be found to be necessary for the purpose of carrying into effect the meaning and intent of this section, and after making such changes and amendment in such resolution shall confirm the division of said lands into maintenance areas.

(b) Immediately after the confirmation of maintenance areas in accordance with the foregoing provision and on or before the first day of June in each year thereafter, beginning with the year 1932, the board shall cause to be prepared a budget of the cost of maintaining and operating all of the works of Everglades Drainage District heretofore constructed during the year beginning on the first day of the next November and ending on the 30th day of the succeeding October. The said budget shall show in detail the following:

(1) The amount of money which will be needed in such year for the maintenance and operation of each canal, dam, dike or other improvement heretofore constructed by said district, including an amount for emergencies and contingencies not to exceed twenty per centum (20 per centum) of the estimated cost of such maintenance and operations;

(2) A statement of the maintenance area or areas which will derive a benefit from the maintenance and operation of such works, and, if more than one maintenance area will receive a benefit from the maintenance and operation of any such works, an allocation of the cost of such maintenance and operation between or among such maintenance areas in proportion to the benefit to be received by each such maintenance area therefrom;

(3) The amount of money, if any, in the maintenance fund of the district to the credit of any maintenance area representing an unexpended balance upon the maintenance budget for any previous year or years;

(4) The amount of taxes per acre necessary to be levied upon the lands in each separate maintenance area for the purpose of paying the cost of such maintenance and operation during such year.

(c) Upon the presentation of such budget to the board the same shall be placed on file in the office of the board and notice by publication shall be given that upon a day and at a time to be fixed therein the said board will meet at its office for the purpose of hearing objections and complaints from owners of land within said district with respect to said budget.

(d) Upon the date and at the time fixed in said notice the said board shall meet at its office for the purpose of hearing objections and complaints concerning the said budget, and the said budget may be altered, changed and amended in any respect by the said board during or after the said hearing.

(e) After the hearing aforesaid and when the board shall have made any alterations, changes or amendments in said budget, the board shall adopt the same and it shall be spread upon the minutes of the board; and the board shall also adopt and spread upon its minutes a resolution setting forth the amount of a special tax or assessment to be levied and imposed upon lands within the several maintenance units for the purpose of maintaining the said works during the said year. The said tax shall be uniform upon all lands within each separate maintenance unit, and the tax levied upon the lands within the several maintenance units need not be uniform in amount. No tax for maintenance in any year shall be levied upon the lands in any maintenance unit in excess of fifty cents (50.50) per acre. The said tax shall be known and designated as the "Maintenance Tax" and the proceeds thereof shall be used only for the purpose of maintaining and operating the works of the district in strict accordance with the provisions of the budget, and the proceeds of the tax levied in each maintenance unit shall be used only for the purpose of maintaining and operating those works the maintenance and operation of which are shown by the budget to be beneficial to such maintenance unit.

Sec. 10.—Creation, Operation and Management of Unit District.—It is hereby recognized, determined and declared that the reclamation of lands within Everglades Drainage District should proceed by the drainage and reclamation of separate segments or units and for the purpose of carrying into effect the drainage and reclamation of such lands according to that method the provisions of this Act with respect to the creation, management and operation of unit districts within Everglades Drainage District, and the levying of special assessments upon lands situated therein, are enacted.

Sec. 11.—The Board of Commissioners of Everglades Drainage District, or the owners of more than fifty per centum (50 per centum) of the acreage in any contiguous body of wet or overflowed lands or lands subject to overflow situate in one or more counties and embraced within the boundaries of Everglades Drainage District may form a unit district, in the manner provided by this Act, for the purpose of having such lands reclaimed and protected from the effects of water, for sanitary or agricultural purposes, or when the same may be conducive to the public health, convenience or welfare, or for the public utility or benefit, by the construction of canals or other works of reclamation, or the improvement by deepening, widening or extending of any existing main, arterial, outlet for lateral canals or by the construction of any protective or control works which may be necessary or desirable in the reclamation of the said contiguous body of land.

Sec. 12.—Whenever the owners of more than fifty per centum (50 per centum) of the acreage in any contiguous body of land within the district shall file with the board a petition in writing that the said body of land be constituted into a unit district for the construction of canals, or other works of reclamation, or the improvement by deepening, widening or extending of any existing main, arterial, outlet or lateral canals, which may be necessary or desirable in the reclamation of the said contiguous body of land or for the construction of any protective or control works, for the benefit and protection of such contiguous body of land, the following proceedings shall be had:

(a) The board shall publish notice of a hearing upon said petition, fixing the time and place therefor, and at such hearing the owners of land within said contiguous body, and all other persons interested, shall be entitled to be heard upon the question of whether said body of land, or any part thereof, shall be constituted a unit district.

(b) If upon such hearing, which may be adjourned from time to time by the board, the board shall find that the establishment of said unit district and the improvements to be constructed thereunder will be for the advantage of the owners of the real property therein or that the same would be in the interest of the public health, convenience or welfare or for the public utility or benefit, the board shall by resolution constitute the territory described in the petition, or such part thereof as in the judgment of the board should be included therein, a unit district. Such resolution shall describe the boundaries of the territory included within such unit district and shall designate the same by number.

Sec. 13.—Whenever in the judgment of the board conditions exist which render it necessary or desirable that any contiguous body of land within Everglades Drainage District be constituted a unit district and no petition therefor has been filed by land owners as provided in this Act, the board may adopt a resolution proposing that such territory be constituted a unit district and fixing a time and place for a hearing of objections to the creation of such unit district. Notice of such hearing, which shall include a description of the territory proposed to be included in such unit district, shall be published once each week for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper published in each of the counties lying wholly or partly within the boundaries of such proposed unit districts. If on or prior to the date fixed for such hearing the owners of more than fifty per centum (50 per-centum) of the acreage included within such proposed unit district shall file with the secretary their written consents to the organization of such unit district, the board shall proceed to hear any other landowners or other persons interested in the organization of such district and shall determine the question of whether such unit district should be organized in the same manner as is provided by this Act for the determination of such question upon petition of landowners. Such hearing may be adjourned from time to time. If such unit district shall be constituted, like proceedings shall be had with respect thereto as are herein provided with respect to unit districts organized upon petition of landowners. If on or prior to the date fixed for such hearing the owners of more than fifty per centum (50 per centum) of the acreage included within such proposed unit district shall not file their consents in writing to the organization of such unit district as herein provided, then no further proceedings shall be had with reference thereto, but the board may at a later date again propose that such contiguous body of land, or any part thereof, be constituted a unit district.

Sec. 14.—Upon the adoption of a resolution constituting any unit district the board shall cause to be prepared, and shall adopt, plans and specifications for the work necessary to be done to reclaim the lands embraced within said unit district, which said plans and specifications shall thereafter be known as the "Plan of Improvement" for the said unit district, and at the same time the board shall estimate the cost of executing the said Plan of Improvement. The adoption of such Plan of Improvement and the estimate of the cost of executing the same shall be made a matter of record by resolution of the board.

Sec. 15.—When a unit district shall be constituted and a plan of improvement therefor adopted, the board shall appoint three persons, who shall be freeholders within the State of Florida and who shall not be landowners within the said unit district, nor of kin, within the fourth degree of consanguinity, to any person owning lands in said unit district, nor an officer, stockholder or employee of any corporation owning land within said unit district, nor of kin, within the four degree of consanguinity, to any officer, stockholder or employee of a corporation owning land within said unit district, to act as appraisers, as herein provided. Two of said appraisers shall constitute a quorum and a concurrence of two of said appraisers shall be necessary and sufficient for the determination of all matters within the duties of said appraisers.

Sec. 16.—Upon the appointment of such appraisers the secretary shall notify them of their appointment and shall state the time and place for the first meeting of said appraisers. The secretary of the district, or his assistant, shall attend such meetings and shall furnish the appraisers a complete list of lands embraced within said unit district and a copy of the plan of improvement. The appraisers, at their first meeting, shall each take and subscribe to an oath that he will faithfully and impartially discharge his duty as such appraiser and make a true report of the work performed by him and that he is fully qualified to act as an appraiser under the provisions of this Act. The said appraisers, at said first meeting, shall elect one of their number chairman, and the secretary of the district shall be ex officio secretary to said appraisers.

Sec. 17.—Immediately after qualifying as provided for in the preceding section, the appraisers shall begin their duties; they may at any time call upon the attorney for the district for legal advice and information relative to their duties, and the chief engineer, or one of his assistants, shall accompany said appraisers when engaged in the discharge of their duties, and shall render his opinion in writing when requested so to do. Said appraisers shall proceed to view the lands within such unit district and determine the value of all lands within or without the said unit district and within or without Everglades Drainage District to be acquired for right-of-way, holding basins, or other works set out in the plan of improvement; they shall appraise the amount of benefits and the amount of damages, if any, that would accrue to each tract of land within the unit district, and to railroads and other right-of-way not traversed by the works to be constructed within the said unit district, from carrying out and executing the plan of improvement. The appraisers, in appraising the benefits to lands, railroads, and other right-of-way not traversed by such works, shall not consider what benefits will be derived by such property after other canals, improvements or plans of reclamation shall have been constructed, but they shall appraise only such benefits as will be derived from the works and improvements set out in the plan of improvement of the particular unit district of which they are appraisers. The appraisers shall also give due consideration and credit for any canal or canals or other works of reclamation which may have heretofore been constructed and which may afford partial or complete protection to any tract or parcel of land in the unit district. The appraisers shall not have power to change the plan of improvement, but shall estimate the cost of executing the same.

Sec. 18.—Upon the completion of their work the appraisers shall prepare a tabulated report of their findings, which shall be bound in book form and contain a description of each property appraised, the amount of benefits or damages to accrue to each parcel of land described therein, and a description of the lands and property within and without the unit district and—or Everglades Drainage District which will be needed for the purpose of constructing the works and improvements set forth in the plan of improvement, and an estimate of the value thereof. It shall not be necessary to set forth the names of the owners of any lands described in said report. When the said report shall have been completed it shall be signed by at least two of the appraisers and deposited in the office of the district.

Sec. 19.—Upon the filing of such report the secretary of the district shall give notice thereof by causing publication to be made, as provided by this Act; it shall not be necessary for the said notice to name the parties interested nor to describe the separate lots or tracts of land, but it shall be sufficient to publish the said notice in the following form:

"To All Owners of Land within Unit District Number.....
of Everglades Drainage District:

Notice is Hereby Given That the Said Unit District Number..... of Everglades Drainage District includes all of the lands within the following boundaries, to-wit

(Here insert boundaries of unit district)

and that the appraisers heretofore appointed have filed their report of benefits and damages to accrue from the execution of the plan of improvement for said unit district, and all owners of land within said unit district, and all parties interested, are hereby notified that the said report is on file in my office and may be examined, and that exceptions may be filed thereto on or before the.....day of .....19....

Dated at .....Florida, upon this.....
day of .....19....

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Secretary of Everglades Drainage District."

Sec. 20.—The owners of any land affected by said report shall have the right to file exceptions in writing thereto on or before the date fixed in the notice to be published as aforesaid.

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COMMUNITY GOSSIP

The driver of a big truck stopped in front of Miller's drug store. "Where's Canal Point?" he asked of a group standing at the doorway. Floy Watson answered, "Mister, you are right in the middle of it."

People have been talking about whether the use of labor-saving machinery caused hard times.

"Well," a man said, "they will never get a machine that will pick beans."

"I don't know about that," another man said; "nobody thought they would ever get a machine that would cut cane."

And the first man came back with this: "Well, have they?" and the argument was right back where it started, with the question unanswered.

Speaking of rainbows, last Saturday afternoon there was visible near the sugar mill a shaft of colors, the end of a rainbow, with no sign of the middle of the bow or its other end. This juxtaposition of sugar mill and rainbow naturally led to remarks about sugar company promotion and rainbow chasing.

It is not alone in daytime that rainbows are seen. Paul Mansfield says that one night there was a rainbow around the moon that was as pretty a rainbow as any he ever saw. This sight of rainbow at night was perfectly legitimate; there really are such things, and Paul had a right to be up that night for he was running a cane harvesting machine.

There are getting to be a lot of German police dogs at Canal Point. As a man said the other day, this shows how conditions are changing. "There are pretty near as many German police dogs as there are coon hounds."

Which kind of beans pack best? Over at the pool hall the other night it was agreed that Bountiful as they in the hamper better and Stringless worse than any other kind. That was what they said at the pool hall but they may not be right about it.

A cow sometimes grazes along the Canal Point-Okeechobee road. She doesn't always make her tail clear the paved portion of the road, indeed, that cow's tail sometimes goes nearly clear across the road—it's a long tail, anyhow. So when a woman motorist came along the other day and the cow didn't get her tail out of the way when the driver honked, she ran over it.

The American Legion and the Rotary Club and the Carpenters Union all meet at the same place in Okeechobee. The Carpenters Union charter hangs on the wall and in the charter is the picture of a group of men. A Rotarian looked at it and said, "Well, there is son of a gun—they've got a picture of Charlie Chaplin and his derby in this." But it isn't Charlie; the man in the picture hasn't a walking stick.

"BOY SCOUT MEETING

A meeting of Scout troop 24 of Canal Point was held April 28 at the Scout house. Mr. Cox and Mr. Chaffer drilled the Scouts on marching. Walter Millikin and W. C. Neaves passed first class hiking test and B. A. Geiger passed first class thrift test.

Those present were Richard Watkins, Walter Millikin, Robert Stars, W. C. Neaves, B. A. Geiger, Harold Taylor, R. N. Upthegrove, Scoutmaster H. J. Chaffer and Assistant Scoutmaster J. B. Cox.

On May 5 at 7:30 p. m. the Canal Point Boy Scouts are going to entertain their mothers by putting on a program.

WALTER MILLIKIN, Scribe.

The last Scout meeting of Troop 24 of Canal Point was held April 21 at the Scout house. Scoutmaster Chaffer taught the Scouts some new knots. Mr. Kingsley was present for a few minutes and talked to the Scouts about their activities. Junior Stuckey passed the tests of knife and hatchet, second class, and second class compass. Robert Stars passed the second class compass test. Scouts were dismissed at 8 p. m.

Those present were Gordon Vann, Richard Watkins, Junior Fultz, B. A. Geiger, Walter Millikin, W. C. Neaves, Richard Tyner, Junior Stuckey, Robert Stars, Joe Tom Boynton, P. M. Cates, H. J. Chaffer, Scoutmaster; J. B. Cox, assistant Scoutmaster.

The next Scout meeting will be held April 28 at 7 p. m. at the Scout house.

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE BIG LAKE

SOUTH BAY

SOUTH BAY, April 28.—South Bay is rejoicing at the news that the annual conference which met at Tarpon Springs the past week has returned Rev. J. R. Hoch to the South Bay pastorate for the coming year. During the three years pastorate in which Rev. Hoch has served this community both he and his family have made many friends by their faithful and unremitting service, especially among the young people, and a petition signed by the greater portion of the citizens of this vicinity was sent to conference to request their return.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Campbell of Fort Lauderdale, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Campbell of South Bay, announce the birth of a daughter Shirley on April 23. The little one weighed 9 pounds at birth.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blair of Iron Mountain, Mich., are visitors in the J. W. Rashley home. Mr. Blair is a delegate to the Kiwanis convention to be held in Miami May 3-7 and has stopped off en route to that point.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Barnes of Port Mayaca were calling on relatives and friends at Bean City on Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Rashley, president, announces a called meeting of the P.-T. A. on Wednesday at the school house at 3:15.

Captain Wilfred Lockhart who has been cutting slips for the farmers on Ritta Island in order that they may load their now maturing crops has finished his work and departed.

L. J. Cowen spent several days in Tarpon Springs last week attending the annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church which was in session at that point.

Mrs. S. E. Campbell motored to Fort Lauderdale Saturday in order to visit her son and family and get acquainted with her new granddaughter.

The Rev. S. A. Renicks of Lake Worth will be in South Bay on Sunday, May 3, and preach at the Baptist church both morning and evening. Special music for the occasion will be furnished by Frank Blair of Iron Mountain, Mich.

Arthur Wells and A. O. Manning were picking tomatoes from their lake shore land the first of the week.

Raymond Wilder who has been in Jacksonville taking treatments for his health has returned much improved.

The young people of the Bell-Cho-So Club enjoyed a picnic at Fisheating creek on Sunday.

G. C. Guthrie, manager of the L. Maxcy, Inc., packing house at Lake Harbor, made a trip to Ritta and Kraemer Islands on Monday in order to interview tomato growers at those points.

Captain Wilfred Lockhart of Clewiston made a business trip to Pahokee Thursday evening stopping en route in South Bay and Belle Glade.

The Womens Home Demonstration Clubs of the county had a demonstration of rug weaving in West Palm Beach on Monday and Tuesday. Each club sent a delegate to learn the process so that later when the looms are sent out to the various clubs each club will have a local instructor.

Mr. and Mrs. Cromartie of Torry Island, who have been living in Homestead for the last two years, have returned to the island. They motored to South Bay Saturday to call upon friends.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Mu[illegible] motored to West Palm Beach Sunday evening for a little outing.

Jimmy Allen is reported to be quite ill at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Allen.

Carl Barstow who has been absent from school for the last two weeks has returned to his studies.

Plan Pre-Cooling Vat For Green Corn Loads

I. D. Hawkins and Julius Herring of South Bay, who are erecting a packing house there, plan to put in a pre-cooling vat. The purpose of the precooling is to prepare green corn for shipment to northern markets.

Last summer Mr. Herring toured the north part of the state and saw corn shipped in June and July. He thinks there should be a better market in May, when he and Mr. Hawkins will have a considerable acreage of roasting ear corn.

First Car Sold

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tending the construction. W. H. (Rube) Vann, Canal Point vegetable broker, will run the house and sell the cars. He said Wednesday he had not yet employed a foreman.

Altman Morgan will manage the Everglades Packing Company's house at Pelican Switch. Members of the company are J. E. Cochran, O. B. McClure, Frank Friend, R. J. Simonson, W. H. Lair, J. A. Hughes and J. W. Cochran, all of whom have tomatoes in the adjacent Pelican lake bottom, the location of the largest acreage in the entire Everglades this season.

The Everglades Packing Company has leased the Lake Shore Supply Company's warehouse at Canal Point and Charles J. Martin will be the foreman there.

CANAL POINT HOUSES

J. A. Baker of Boynton, who has foremanized packing houses on East Beach for seven years, is foreman of L. L. Stuckey's house at Canal Point. Mr. Stuckey expects to roll two cars the latter part of this week.

C. S. Moore opened his house at Canal Point last week but the first fruit went out by express. Among the growers for whom fruit was put through then were J. O. Mansfield, H. Anderson, Gus Strand, George Fritchie and Mr. Altman. Mr. Moore will operate a house at Sand Cut as well as the Canal Point house. His foremen are Frank Andrews of Homestead and Roy Roberts of New Smyrna.

1,200 FROM EAST COAST ATTEND GLADES FAIR

Report that more than 1,200 persons had attended the Everglades Fair recently held at Belle Glade on West Palm Beach Day, was made before the weekly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce board of directors.

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BELLE GLADE

BELLE GLADE, April 30.—R. C. Fleeman of Miami was a business visitor here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hall of Fort Lauderdale, who were returning from Avon Park, stopped in Belle Glade Thursday and called upon a number of old time friends. Mr. Hall is past state grand master of the Odd Fellows.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Anderson of West Palm Beach were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Brown.

John Henry Marshall of Fort Lauderdale has accepted a position at Ed's Lunch.

The Webster family moved into the Henry Brogdon house this week.

Donald Tener entertained the following chums at his home Saturday night: Burrell Altman, Jesse Morris, Junius Harris, Francis Morris, Buford Prescott and Dwight Hoch. After a number of games and contests, a weiner and marshmallow roast furnished the refreshments.

Mrs. T. LaByer, Mrs. J. R. Neller and Mrs. J. F. Browne, who are sponsors of the local Girl Scout troop, visited the training camp at Camp Margery Daniel near Jupiter Friday.

Frank S. White, Al Griffin and Jim and John rabtree, all of Fort Lauderdale, called on W. E. Carruth Wednesday.

The Ladies' Aid of the Community church met Wednesday with Mrs. A. M. Webster with the following members attending: Mrs. E. W. Stallings, Mrs. A. Daane, Mrs. R. W. Kidder, Mrs. J. R. Neller, Mrs. T. LaByer, Mrs. J. F. Sheldon, Mrs. W. W. Miller, Mrs. J. F. Browne and Mrs. J. R. Hoch.

An interesting devotional service was led by Mrs. R. W. Kidder, which was followed by the business session. The annual report of the treasurer showed that this organization has cleared $533.67 during the past fiscal year. As there are only eighteen members, this total represents faithful work and cooperation upon the part of all. The Aid voted to give a waffle supper Friday evening, May 1, at the Chevrolet headquarters. The patronage of the public is solicited. The next regular meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. F. Sheldon, with Mrs. T. LaByer in charge of the lesson. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mrs. W. E. Carruth returned Tuesday from Fort Lauderdale, after spending a few days with her son, Frank Halfrich, and family. While there Mrs. Carruth took a boat trip on the ocean, which she enjoyed very much.

LaVon Parker, Edith Willits, Jack Scott and Ernest Van Landingham formed a pleasure party at Palm Beach Sunday.

Dr. Charles F. Hunter and Fred O'Brien of Miami visited Ben Shepherd on Torry Island Saturday.

C. Shawcross of Fort Myers was here last week for the purpose of organizing the farmers into a Florida Tariff Association. He obtained ninety-one signatures.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Browne and Mr. and Mrs. George Parker were Brown Farm callers Sunday.

Nina Lee and family of Hallandale spent the week end with friends on Torry Island.

Frank Henderson, Floyd Welch and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Parker and children enjoyed an outing at Lake Worth beach Sunday.

J. J. Dallas of Fort Myers was a business caller here Monday.

Jimmie and Paul Taylor and Sam Sowden motored to West Palm Beach Monday.

Inez Williams, Gertrude Wright, S. F. Carter and George Farnall spent Sunday at Palm Beach.

The entertainment presented at the Legion hall Tuesday night by Lake Worth talent under the auspices of the Womans Club was well received by an enthusiastic audience. A variety of musical selections and humorous skits preceded the one-act play entitled "Judkin's Grocery," in which a group of college students just back from school enliven the old town and furnish a good program. While all of the parts were well presented, the outstanding characters were the town loafer and the town gossip.

Mrs. J. O. Darden; Mrs. Joe Lieberman and Arthur were shoppers in West Palm Beach Tuesday.

Evangelist Mathews of Seattle, Wash., and a singer, Mr. Moore of West Palm Beach, are conducting a series of evangelistic services each evening at a large tent on the main street. They are working under the auspices of the Missionary Alliance.

Ray M. Browne came in Tuesday from St. Augustine, for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Browne.

S. D. Sproul, L. J Cowen and the Rev. J .R. Hoch returned Monday evening from Tarpon Springs, where they attended the annual St. John's River conference. In addition to the inspiring services at the church, they enjoyed a boat trip when the were shown the sponge fisheries and the method of procuring the sponges was demonstrated. Mr. Sproul and Mr. Cowen were the delegates from Belle Glade and South Bay Community churches respectively.

M. Louis Solmonte made a combined business and pleasure trip to Canal Point Tuesday evening.

Ray E. Lee, former manager of the B & B store here has rented the east section of the Rader building and will open an independent grocery soon.

L. M. Kennedy, of Jacksonville is a new employee at the Belle Glade Grocery.

COMMUNITY CHURCH
Belle Glade.

Sunday school, 10 a. m. Last Sunday the session was held at the school for the first time and the people were delighted with the splendid equipment there. Arrangements have been made for cars to take the little ones, so that none need remain away because of the distance. Those wishing transportation may meet at the main street corner or if it is rainy at the city hall. A committee was appointed last Sunday to look after the Mother's Day program. Morning worship each Sunday morning at 11 a. m.

CAR OF TOMATOES PAYS $280 FREIGHT

The freight charge on a car of tomatoes from Canal Point to New York is around $280, based on a rate of $1.40 a hundred pounds and a crate of tomatoes rated to weigh 48.6 pounds, with the car minimum 20,000 pounds. Cars carrying tomatoes are usually loaded with 448 crates, although the number is sometimes 420 and sometimes 480.

The $1.40 a 100 freight rate is the same as on beans when the so-called trick rate and monkey route are used, which have now become standard. As this rate does not apply to Chicago, the rate to that city is higher than to New York. The express rate to New York is more than $1 a crate.

With $1.40 per 100 pounds as the freight rate to New York and a crate of tomatoes rated to weigh under 50 pounds, the per crate freight rate to New York is under one-half of $1.40—that is, under 70 cents a crate. Until the inauguration of the monkey route the rate was above 80 cents a crate.

Around The Lake

Joe Van de Velde, who lived at Moore Haven and Sand Point (Clewiston) for many years, this season has a bean crop at Lakeport.

Olan Pearce, an Okeechobee county cattleman, has bought 100 head of cattle from the Dixie Ranch Company and moved them across Kissimmee river to his range.

J. S. Turbyfill at Okeechobee raised a cabbage that weighed 14½ pounds and Rev. Dunklin submits that this establishes the superiority of Okeechobee county over Glades county where the biggest cabbage weighed only 13 pounds.

Just as if somebody had said to the contrary, the Citrus Center correspondent of the Glades County Democrat says: "The Hendry County News is right—the tarpon does come up the river, sometimes to Hicpochee. A 30-pound one was caught a few weeks ago at lock No. 2 by a man from Sebring."

OKEELANTA

OKEELANTA, April 28.—Mrs. Ida Stitzel from Chicago is at present visiting her parents, the Anjimas.

The firm of Copper & Tarbox was represented here by its two members on the 19th inst.

J. J. Geiger paid the town his periodical visit in the interest of the Rawleigh Medicine Company.

During the recent week colored bean pickers spent several days in the fields here. The bean crops were fairly good, considering the unseasonable weather conditions of this spring.

Our Pahokee truckers were kept busy during part of the week fighting the weeds in their planted fields. It seems strange that the useful plants cannot learn to grow by example of the pigweed.

The state boat made a trip down the North New River canal on the 22 inst, returning the following day. The boat was compelled to use the Miami canal and enter the North New River via the Bolles canal.

Barney Hanley and wife from Miami have moved into the Mothersbaugh house the end of last week.

Chas. Cowgill has decided to devote himself to the poultry industry. For foundation he secured a brown hen and her brood.

Quite a consignment of beans was moved to the railroad station last Monday and Tuesday from this vicinity.

The Parkers from Belle Glade and the Hardy family from South Bay were visitors here Sunday.

MOORE HAVEN WOMEN FEDERATE WITH P. B.

The Moore Haven Womans Club voted last week to join the Palm Beach County Federation of Womans Clubs for the coming year. This action resulted from attendance by a committee on the county feredation meeting recently at Belle Glade.

PEOPLE WE KNOW

The Citrus Center correspondent includes in the items a mention that Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jordan of Moore Haven picnicd Sunday at Crescent Beach near Fort Myers.

For several years V. F. Thirst lived on the Sebring farm east of Miami canal and later was a game warden. His friends on the east shore of the lake haven't heard of him for a year or more but it seems he is still living at Moore Haven, for the Glades County Democrat notes that he visited Okeechobee recently.

John Elmore, a distributor for the Miami Herald, who used to bring the Palm Beach Times, now lives at Moore Haven. He goes to Belle Glade each morning and gets his papers and distributes them on his way to Moore Haven. But John would like to get back closer this way and he is trying to find a place to live in at Belle Glade.

REVIVAL MEETING

There was a nice little crowd at the first revival meeting being held in the big tent at Belle Glade. J. B. Mathews, evangelist conducting the services, is originally from Seattle, Wash. The evangelist preaches the old fashioned gospel; he is a man of wide experience in the evangelistic work. The meetings are held every night excepting Saturday night at 8:15. These meetings are for the spread of Christ's kingdom and all are cordially invited to attend. The evangelist will be delighted to have the cooperation of all the Christian people. The meetings are interdenominational.

KILLED HUSBAND

Alberta Williams, negro woman of Belle Glade, has been placed in county jail on a charge of attempting, while he slept, to kill her husband with an ax, Deputy Sheriff F. H. Packwood announced Friday. The woman was arrested by Police Chief Elmer Padgett at Belle Glade Thursday and taken to jail Friday by Deputy W. H. Lawrence.

Figure Tomato Crop 600 Cars

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853 acres of tomatoes from Belle Glade to the Hendry county line. Copper's enumeration did not include the islands, however, and after making allowance for acreage lost by excessive rains it is probable that the total acreage in the territory, including the islands, is upward of 3,000.

Estimate of yield is more difficult than estimate of acreage. L. L. Stuckey has tomatoes that he thinks will make 500 crates to the acre and he thinks the average will be 200 crates to the acre. W. H. Vann, Canal Point broker, doubts that the yield in the territory as a whole will average above 75 crates to the acre, counting the quantity shipped, not the quantity picked. C. S. Moore says the average may be 100 crates, and C. M. Todd of Pahokee guesses 125 crates to the acre average.

If there are 3,000 acres and the yield averages 100 crates to the acre, there would be 600 cars, but an unknown percentage will be culled out at the packing houses, the per cent of culling depending on the market prices.

Roy Batchelor, manager of the Lake Shore Supply Company store at Sand Cut siding north of Canal Point, estimates there are around 400 persons in the Pahokee-Canal Point district who have tomato crops or interest in crops. An optimist can figure that the tomato crop on 1,800 acres in the Canal Point-Pahokee district yielding 100 crates to the acre will make 180,000 crates which if sold at $2 a crate net will bring in $360,000 to be split in varying proportions among 400 families and give an average of $900 to a family besides the money disbursed for labor.

A grower with 50 acres of tomatoes stands a chance of making $20,000 on his crop, on the basis of a yield of 150 crates to the acre and sales at $3 a crate.

All of this is counting chickens before they are hatched and it may be chasing rainbows or following a will o' the wisp but growers and storekeepers are doing it, anyway.

Late In Season But Still Planting Beans

Beans that were less than a week out of the ground were seen between Belle Glade and South Bay, and further on, toward Lake Harbor, a man was seen running a bean planter. Joe Friedheim, seed dealer at Belle Glade, says he sold Stringless bean seed this week.

Doyle Crocker, seed dealer at Pahokee, says he has made sales of Kentucky Wonder bean seed. He and other dealers report sales in fairly good quantity of small seed. Corn is still being planted.

Twenty cents a crate is the price on tomato crates quoted by supply houses when crates are bought in car load lots, and 22 cents a crate in less than car load lots. This is about the same price as has prevailed in other years.

$12 AN ACRE COST OF HYACINTH ERADICATION

Twelve dollars an acre is reported as the cost of killing water hyacinths with the formula of J. E. Edwards, who has made demonstrations at Moore Haven and West Palm Beach. Not enough time has yet elapsed to know whether the formula will do what Edwards says it will do.

GLADES WEATHER

Canal Point

Temperature and rainfall at Canal Point for the week ending April 26, 1931:

Date	High	Low	Rain
20	73	58	0.64
21	75	55	0.00
22	81	53	0.00
23	74	56	0.35
24	72	52	0.00
25	80	55	0.04
26	81	54	0.00
Average	76.58	54.72	1.03

Total rainfal since January 1, 1931, 13.94 inches.

Everglades Experiment Station

Date	Max	Min	Rain fall	Evaporation
April 13	73	56	0.04	.065
April 14	79.5	59.5	0.00	.115
April 15	70	62	2.12	.091
April 16	71	59	0.84	.129
April 17	73	60.5	0.00	.172
April 18	74	61	0.04	.177
April 19	76	60	0.03	.113
April 20	77	62	0.11	.139
April 21	78	60	0.09	.213
April 22	79	56	0.00	.218
April 23	85	60	0.00	.150
April 24	79	56	0.00	.177
April 25	75	62	0.13	.161
April 26	84	56	0.00	.206

TWO OLD EVERGLADERS DIE IN PAST WEEK

By HOWARD SHARP.

Two old Evergladers died recently—Charles H. Phillips at Moore Haven and R. E. Rose at Tallahassee. They were my friends, as I was their friend, but I don't know whether they were acquainted with one another—probably not. Both were commonly called "Captain"; this probably was on account of their connection with boats rather than a title acquired by military service.

My first meeting with Captain Phillips was some time between 1919 and 1923 and the place was the dining room of a dredge moored in Lake Worth at West Palm Beach, where I had dinner with him and George F. Miles of Pomfret, Conn., the owner of the dredge, whose guest I was. Some of the readers of this article will remember the name of the Miles dredge but I have forgotten it. Chief Engineer Elliot of Everglades drainage district had leased the dredge for work on Indian Prairie canal, where Phillips was the inspector measuring up the excavation. Delivery of the dredge to St. Augustine at the expiration of the contract was required, and its route from Indian Prairie canal was down Lauderdale canal and up the coast line canal.

It was the year Walter Greer and others at Belle Glade lost their corn crops; water was let out of the lake to raise the canal to float the dredge and the corn fields were thereby flooded.

It is too long ago for me to remember right off hand just how I happened to meet George F. Miles. I will always think of him, however, as one of the most interesting men I ever knew, and I have a distinct recollection of his story of the circumstances under which Henry M. Flagler selected the site and name of the Hotel Royal Poinciana. Some other time I may put the story in print.

In the sketch of Captain Phillips' life printed in the Glade County Democrat it is said he came to Florida in 1903 and was in St. Augustine several years and worked on dredges on the east coast. Mr. Miles dredged the inland canal from St. Augustine to Biscayne Bay, and Phillips probably worked for him long before I met them on the dredge in Lake Worth as their dinner guest. The last time I saw Phillips was several months ago when he came to this office to make a social call. He had come to Pahokee with Joe Kahn and as I recall it he said he and Joe roomed together at Moore Haven. Cap Phillips was a fine man and I am proud to have known him.

The Associated Press dispatch from Tallahassee that reported the death of Captain R. E. Rose stressed the fact that he was state chemist and said he came to Tallahassee from Kissimmee and mentioned that he was a brother of former Circuit Judge Rose of Miami. That was right, but it would have suited Captain Rose better if it had said he came to Florida from Louisiana to have charge of Hamilton Disston's operations and that in the fall of 1889 he planted sugar cane on muck land at South Port at the south end of Lake Tohopekaliga and that sugar was made from it and that Kissimmee sugar was exhibited at the New Orleans Cotton Centennial and took premiums. Captain Clay Johnson, Rose's brother-in-law, had charge of the South Port farm.

Captain Rose had a good deal to do with getting the Pennsylvania Sugar Company to buy the land on Miami canal in Dade county where the sugar mill was erected which was later dismantled and moved to Clewiston. A man named Van Alen Harris who had come up from Santo Domingo arranged a deal between Tatom Brothers of Miami and the Pennsylvania company for the Miami canal land and Harris was the first manager of the property there. Many people in the lake region remember Harris, for he came up to Kraemer island to get the seed cane. When the flood came on in 1922 the Pennsylvania Sugar Company's cane fields on Miami canal were flooded, and as Captain Rose had been an adviser to the company at the outset, he was called in during the flood to give his opinion as to what ought to be done, and it was while he was down here in 1922 that I met him for the first time.

Harris was let out soon after, and Ernest Graham was sent down from Michigan to take charge, and it was through Graham that I met W. H. Hoodless, the Pennsylvania's general manager.

The last long talk I had with Captain Rose was on the canal bridge at Canal Point when he was returning to Tallahassee after a visit to his brother in Miami. It was in correspondence, however, that our friendship had fullest expression.

Captain Rose was firm in the belief that there should not be any locks or dams in any of the canals from the lake to the ocean, and if his views had prevailed and if the drainage had been provided for which the taxes were levied, the county would be better off.

VEGETABLE RATES TO SOUTH REDUCED

WAWSHINGTON, April 28.—The interstate commerce commission today ordered lower rates on vegetables from Mississippi and Tennessee to points in the south to what is known as official classification territory, and to certain western points.

The commission ordered that rates on commodities in carloads from Mississippi to interstate destinations in southern and official classification territories and to Kansas City and Minneapolis, should not exceed 40 per cent of the first class rate to the same point.

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

In the Circuit Court of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for Palm Beach County. In Chancery.

No. 9337.

Doyle E. Carlton, et al., Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, Complainants.

vs.

W. Lee Houchins, et al., Defendants.

To W. Lee Houchins, if living, and if dead to his unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, or grantees, and any and all persons having or claiming any right, title or interest in and to the following described land, situate lying and being in the said County of Palm Beach and the State of Florida, to-wit:

Lots 7, 8, and 11, in Section 25, Township 43 South, Range 36 East, containing 41.41 acres, more or less, according to Sales Plat of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida, bearing date of December 1, 1916.

You and each of you are hereby required to appear at the Court House in West Palm Beach, Palm Beach county, Florida, on the 1st day of June A. D. 1931, to answer the Bill of Complaint filed in said Court against you and each of you wherein and whereby the Complainants pray for the foreclosure of mortgage deed from W. Lee Houchins to Complainants bearing date of April 19, 1922, against any claim which you or any of you have or claim in the above described property.

Upon your failure to appear, plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint filed in said cause, the decree of the Court will be rendered against you.

Done and ordered this 14th day of April A. D. 1931.

(Circuit Court Seal)

FRED E. FENNO,
Clerk of the Circuit Court In and For Palm Beach County, Florida.
By F. L. Burnett, Deputy Clerk.

A True Copy:
Fred E. Fenno, Clerk.
By F. L. Burnett, D. C.
Marvin C. McIntosh,
Solicitor for Complainants.
April 17, 24; May 1, 8.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given, that H. C. Willits, holder of Tax Certificate No. 3, 2nd day of July, A. D. 1928, has filed said certificate in my office and made application for tax deed to issue thereon in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Palm Beach County, Florida, to-wit: E 206.3' of W 618.9' of Lot 1 State Survey, Section 21, Township 43 South, Range 35 East, 3 acres.

The assessment of said property under the said certificate issued was in the name of Wise Perry, et al.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 8th day of June, A. D. 1931.

Dated this 29th day of April, A. D. 1931.

(Seal) FRED E. FENNO,
Clerk of Circuit Court, Palm Beach County, Florida.
May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; June 5, 1931.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given, that H. C. Willits, holder of Tax Certificate No. 11, 2nd day of July, A. D. 1928, has filed said certificate in my office and made application for tax deed to issue thereon in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Palm Beach County, Florida, to-wit: E 206.3' of W 618.9' of W½ Section 28, Township 43 South, Range 35 East, 25 acres.

The assessment of said property under the said certificate issued was in the name of Wise Perry, et al.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 8th day of June, A. D. 1931.

Dated this 29th day of April, A. D. 1931.

(Seal) FRED E. FENNO,
Clerk of Circuit Court, Palm Beach County, Florida.
May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; June 5, 1931.

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